

NEVADA FAMILY JURISDICTION JUDGES 2016 CONFERENCE

Sponsored by the Supreme Court of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts



March 2 - 3, 2016
BRISTLECONE CONVENTION CENTER
Ely, Nevada



AGENDA AND SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

Bristlecone Convention Center

WEDNESDAY MARCH 2, 2016

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

REGISTRATION

12:45 - 1:00 PM

OPENING OF 2016 CONFERENCE

1:00 - 2:30 PM

TOOLS TO INCREASE EFFICIENCY FOR FAMILY JURISDICTION JUDGES

(1.5 Hours *Ethics* CLE)

Presiding Judge Charles Hoskin, Eighth Judicial District Court, Family Division Presiding Judge Bridget Robb, Second Judicial District Court, Family Division Thomas J. Standish, Esq., Standish Naimi Law Group

This session will describe tools which the family jurisdiction judges can employ to obtain more complete and relevant information and evidence at trial, to conduct trials more efficiently, and to maximize the use of the judges' valuable time. The documents to be discussed will include:

- the Marital Balance Sheet (the form adopted by the Supreme Court under NRCP 16.2) with formatting examples to better aid the judge in identifying the issues, and supplying Excel-based calculations to assist the court in distributing property;
- a "Non-Discretionary/Discretionary Expense Chart" which segregates non-discretionary and discretionary expenses for the judge, and provides a side-by-side comparison of each party's expenses, which will significantly aid the judge in deciding alimony and child support issues; and
- a sample Trial Exhibit Book with a detailed exhibit list, and sample exhibits which are each bates-stamped in numerical order for ease of examination of each witness.

2:30 - 2:45 PM

Break

2:45 - 4:15 PM

THE FAMILY COURT PERSPECTIVE ON SEX TRAFFICKING (1.5 Hours CLE)

Judge Egan Walker, Second Judicial District Court, Family Division

This presentation will address the impact of sex trafficking as it manifests in family court settings. Guardianship, foster care, and permanency are just some of the areas in which the specter of sex trafficking can have significant impact. Would you recognize the signs and, if so, would you know the proper courses of action?



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THURSDAY	MARCH 3, 2016

7:00 - 8:00 AM BUFFET BREAKFAST (Sponsored by the State Bar)

8:00 - 9:00 AM INSIGHTS FROM CHIEF JUDGE MICHAEL GIBBONS: IMPACTS AND LESSONS LEARNED

FROM RECENT NEVADA APPELLATE FAMILY LAW CASES (1 Hour CLE)

Chief Judge Michael Gibbons, Nevada Court of Appeals

Chief Judge Michael Gibbons will offer insight into recent Nevada appellate family law cases and their applicability to district court judges. Attendees will also learn what the Court of Appeals judges look for when reviewing and deciding a case. Information from this class can be used to help to reduce reversals and remands.

9:00 - 9:15 AM Break

9:15 - 10:15 AM SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAM FINDINGS IN THE CONTEXT OF FAMILY LAW (2 Hours CLE)

Rachell Ekroos, PhC, APRN-BC, AFN-BC

Center for Forensic Nursing Excellence International

In this two-part session, we will discuss different types of physical findings that may be documented during forensic medical exams of children with a history or suspected history of sexual abuse within the family. Common myths about injury will be debunked and we will talk about the meaning of "no visible injuries." The presentation will also include discussions about familial sexual exploitation of children, technology enabled abuse against children, and strangulation as a form of familial violence.

10:15 - 10:30 AM Break

10:30 - 11:30 AM SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAM FINDINGS IN THE CONTEXT OF FAMILY LAW (concluded)

11:30 - 11:35 AM CLOSE OF **2016** CONFERENCE

11:35 AM Lunch (Sponsored by the State Bar)

Total CLE: 6 CLE (1.5 Hours *Ethics*)

Save the Date:

April 26-29, 2016

Nevada Judicial Leadership Summit

Harrah's Lake Tahoe





CONFERENCE INFORMATION

NEVADA FAMILY JURISDICTION JUDGES 2016 CONFERENCE WEBSITE

Session materials, forms, and additional information will be available on the Nevada Family Jurisdiction Judges 2016 Conference website, which can be accessed by clicking here. We will update the conference website with the latest news and provide you with the session materials as they are received. *Note:*Session materials will also be provided on a USB flash drive during registration.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2016

This educational program will be held at the Bristlecone Convention Center, 150 6th Street, Ely, NV 89301. You can register for this free conference online here, using your judicial education log-on user ID and password, which were provided individually via e-mail. If you should need assistance with your log-on user ID or password, please contact Judicial Education. The registration deadline is Friday, February 12, 2016 and is limited to 40 participants. Registration cancellation notifications should be e-mailed to Judicial Education no later than Friday, February 19, 2016.

THE STATE BAR OF NEVADA 2016 ANNUAL FAMILY LAW CONFERENCE

The State Bar of Nevada 27th Annual Family Law Conference immediately follows the Nevada Family Jurisdiction Judges 2016 Conference. The full schedule and information about that conference may be accessed on the State Bar website, www.nvbar.org.

The AOC will reimburse the registration fee for judges attending the State Bar Family Law Conference. However, the AOC is unable to reimburse masters for expenses related to the State Bar Family Law

<u>Conference</u>. Judges must register and pay for that conference separately and then seek reimbursement from the AOC at the conclusion of the event (original receipt required).

Judges wishing to attend both the Nevada Family Jurisdiction Judges 2016 Conference and the State Bar of Nevada 27th Annual Family Law Conference need not submit a Judicial Education Expenditure Request and will be reimbursed for lodging, meals not provided during the conference, and daily incidental expenses while on travel status.

Any judge <u>not</u> attending the Nevada Family Jurisdiction Judges 2016 Conference, but wishing to attend the State Bar Family Law Conference, must submit a <u>Judicial Education Expenditure Request</u> (ER) for that conference. That ER will be submitted to the JCSN Education Committee to determine approval.

Masters will only be reimbursed for their expenses for travel to and from Ely for the Nevada Family Jurisdiction Judges 2016 Conference, including lodging on Tuesday, March 1 (if necessary) and Wednesday, March 2.

MEETING ROOMS

Location: All educational sessions will be held in the rear meeting rooms of the Bristlecone Convention Center.

Internet Service: Wireless internet access is available at the Convention Center but is limited in the rear room. We recommend bringing your 3G/4G enabled devices or downloading session materials prior to your arrival, as connection quality cannot be guaranteed.

ATTIRE

Attire for the conference is business casual. Please dress in layers to ensure your comfort as the temperature of the meeting rooms is unpredictable.



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Attendees are responsible for making their own lodging reservations. Judges and masters attending both or either conference will be reimbursed at the maximum rate of \$89.00 plus tax per night (original receipt required). The maximum nights reimbursed for judges are Tuesday through Friday and for masters are Tuesday and Wednesday. Lodging options are listed below.



HOTEL NEVADA

501 E. Aultman Street, Ely, Nevada 89201 | (888) 406-3055

Built in 1929, Hotel Nevada was the tallest building in the state. Today it is the only hotel/casino in Ely with live gaming and nightly entertainment. Complementary internet access is also provided throughout the property.



THE JAILHOUSE

211 5th Street, Ely, Nevada 89301 | (800) 841-5430

The Jailhouse occupies the site of the original city jail and offers cellblock dining and lodging without being arrested, charged, and convicted.



LA QUINTA INN & SUITES

1591 Great Basin Boulevard, Ely, Nevada 89301 | (775) 289-8833

The La Quinta offers complementary internet access and continental breakfasts.



RAMADA INN/COPPER QUEEN CASINO

805 Great Basin Boulevard, Ely, Nevada 89301 | (775) 289-4884

The Ramada Inn boasts free continental breakfast, an indoor pool and spa, two lounges, and a restaurant. There is free Wi-Fi throughout with nonsmoking sleeping rooms available in the annex.



MOTEL 6

770 Avenue O, Ely, Nevada 89301 | (775) 289-6671

Motel 6 is located 0.6 mile southeast of downtown Ely.



BRISTLECONE MOTEL

700 Avenue I , Ely, Nevada 89301 | (800) 497-7404

The Bristlecone Motel is a clean, quiet motel about 2 miles from the convention center. It has good-sized rooms and offers complementary Wi-Fi.



TRAVEL INFORMATION

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

The State has negotiated contracts with Hertz Corporation and Enterprise Rent-A-Car with assurances for: reasonable rates, first-dollar liability insurance without cost, and a full physical damage waiver with no deductible. Should the judge decide to rent a car from any company other than those with whom the State has contracts, AOC will not provide reimbursement for insurance or sales tax. Keep in mind, the judge and/or the judge's court, and not AOC, will be at risk for collision claims and comprehensive losses (including theft) if a vehicle is rented from a company other than the contracted companies listed below. The fuel purchase option is not reimbursable. Travelers must refuel the rental car before returning, to avoid penalty refueling costs. Remember, the receipt for fuel purchase is required for reimbursement. Extra rental accessory options such as roadside assistance, satellite radios, GPS, etc., are not reimbursable expenses.

Check for the specific rates at a given location, since rates may vary. Generally, absent unusual circumstances, AOC will reimburse rental car costs to a maximum of \$50.00/day inclusive of fees and sales tax (slightly more per day if more than one person is riding to the seminar in the same car). Please submit the original receipt with the travel claim.

Hertz Corporation (800) 654-3131 Contract: CDP#88103 Midsize \$31.00 + tax

Enterprise Rent-A-Car (800) 736-8222 Contract: XZ54WNV PIN: NEV Midsize \$31.33 + tax

PERSONAL VEHICLE MILEAGE

Personal vehicle mileage is reimbursed at \$0.54 per mile, round-trip, for your travel. However, if a less expensive method of travel is available and you are driving for your personal convenience, you will only be reimbursed at the personal convenience mileage rate of \$0.27 per mile, round-trip. Mileage reimbursement is from the official work station or home, whichever is less. Use MapQuest mileage estimation from your office or home to the seminar site, or if traveling within Nevada, the official State of Nevada Road Map mileage chart.

MEALS

Non-reimbursable meals provided during the seminar include breakfasts and lunch on Thursday. Meals not provided will be reimbursed as outlined in the Nevada Supreme Court Travel Policy, which can be accessed by clicking here. The Supreme Court's per diem rates (no receipt required) are \$11.00/breakfast, \$12.00/lunch, and \$23.00/dinner for meals not provided from breakfast on Tuesday, March 1 through dinner on Friday, March 4. You must be in travel status from 7:00 - 9:00 am to receive reimbursement for breakfast, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm for lunch, and 5:00 - 7:00 pm for dinner.





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CLAIM FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES

The Supreme Court of Nevada, AOC Accounting Unit will, upon receipt, process your Claim for Travel Expense for reimbursement. If the original Claim for Travel Expense form is complete, accurate, and includes the Certificate of Attendance and required receipts, you should receive your reimbursement within 5 business days. Refer to the travel claim procedures and documentation requirements as outlined in the materials in your registration packet. This information will also be available on the conference website. If you have any questions prior to submitting your Claim for Travel Expense form, please contact the AOC Accounting Unit at (775) 684-1700.

Note: When in doubt as to whether a cost incurred during travel status can be reimbursed, keep an itemized receipt, claim the cost on the Claim for Travel Expense form, and submit the receipt with the claim. The AOC Accounting Unit will notify you if the expense claimed is allowable for reimbursement under the Supreme Court Travel Policy.

SPECIAL NOTES REGARDING TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT & ELIGIBILITY

Conference Attendance: The total conference hours are 6. Failure to attend a minimum of 75% (4.5 hours) may result in less than full reimbursement.

Meals: Participants must travel at least 30 miles (round -trip) from their primary workstation to receive reimbursement for meals not included at the conference.

Lodging: Only the lodging rate (maximum of \$89.00 per night) plus tax are reimbursable. Submission of the original hotel receipt must accompany your Claim for Travel Expense form.

INCIDENTALS

The AOC will reimburse you for incidental expenses at \$5.00 per day. Incidental expenses are costs incurred for fees relating to luggage carts, metered parking, toll charges, and tips. Receipts are not required.

<u>VENDOR REGISTRATION POLICY</u> (masters and other non-district court judge attendees)

NRS 227.200 requires, among other things, that all persons who get a payment from the State, e.g., travel reimbursement for judicial education, receive that payment via electronic funds transfer (EFT). Should you anticipate claiming travel or related expenses for the Nevada Family Jurisdiction Judges 2016 Conference, please take a moment *now* to register for electronic payment with the State using the <u>Vendor Registration (New Payees)</u> form. This will enable us to process your claim upon receipt.

It takes approximately 2 weeks to establish your vendor account. If you currently receive payments from the State via EFT, no further action is required.

Please be sure to include a voided check and <u>fax or mail</u> the form along with the voided check to the Supreme Court of Nevada AOC Accounting Unit at (775) 684-1778. *Note:* Faxing or mailing the form (as indicated on the form) to the Nevada State Controller's Office may delay your reimbursement.